(c) if so, the details of the same and the action Government proposed to take in this egard?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) to (c) According to Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) the available literature do not establish conclusive evidence on the safety or risk of Radio Frequency Radiation (RFR) but growing body of scientific evidences indicate towards the bio-effects and adverse health effects of RFR which may be possible, if not probable. The ICMR is, therefore, presently in the process of developing protocol to study the effect of RFR emitted from cell Phone and cell Masts on Male Reproduction on pilot basis. The Study is designed to be carried out for two years duration.

HIV/AIDS cases

2008. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:
SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a steep fall in HIV/AIDS cases in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, indicating the status of this menace in Orissa State; and

(c) what is the time-frame within which the country would be AIDS-free?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) and (b) No, Sir. During 2006, the national estimates of 2 million to 3.1 million HIV infected persons have been arrived at by using multiple data sources including an expanded sentinel surveillance system and a nationwide community based survey, National Family Health Survey-3. The estimated prevalence rate is 0.36% (0.27 to 0.47%). The estimated prevalence rate in Orissa is 0.22%.

(c) The goal of the National AIDS Control Programme Phase-Ill is to halt and reverse the epidemic in the country over the next 5 years by integrating programmes for prevention, care, support and treatment.

T.B. cases

2009. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY
WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether incidence of server strain of T.B. is highest in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of funds obtained from International institutions, donor agencies and budgetary allocations made for management and eradication of the disease and the amount spent thereon during the last three years, year-wise and State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The estimated incidence of all cases per lakh population has come down from 184/lakh in 2001 to 168/lakh in 2006 (WHO Global TB report)

The funds received for RNTCP from different International agencies for the last three years is as under:—